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**REMARKS**

Upon entry of the foregoing amendments, Claims 1-40 are pending in this application. The Examiner rejected Claims 1-10, 12, 14-23, 25, 27-31, 33, and 35-37 under 35 U.S.C. 102(e), and rejected Claims 11, 24, and 32 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a). Claims 1, 2-3, 11-16, 24, 26-27 and 32-34 have been amended, and new Claims 38-40 have been added in the foregoing amendment.

**Claims 1-10, 12, 14-23, 25, 27-31, 33, and 35-38**

**Are Not Anticipated by Skardon**

The Examiner rejected Claims 1-10, 12, 14-23, 25, 27-31, 33, and 35-37 as anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,466,133 to Skardon ("Skardon"). This rejection is traversed for the reasons discussed below.

**Claims 1, 14 and 27**

A method of amended Claim 1 requires, among other elements, processing the environmental information in the base device according to a user information of an individual user when the environmental information exceeds a threshold, wherein the user information includes the threshold information.

In contrast, *Skardon* describes that user information is used to generate air/asthma advice for an individual patient. *Skardon* does not describe processing environmental information when the environmental information exceeds a user-specified threshold, as required by amended Claim 1. Accordingly, Claim 1 is not anticipated by *Skardon*, and should be allowed.

Amended Claims 14 and 27 include similar limitations to Claim 1. Thus, Claims 14 and 27 are also not anticipated by *Skardon*. Accordingly, amended Claims 14 and 27 should also be allowed.

**Claims 2-13, 15-26, and 28-38**

Claims 2-13, 15-26, and 28-38 depend directly or indirectly from amended Claims 1, 14 and 27. The remarks made above in support of the patentability of the independent

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Claims 1, 14 and 27 are equally applicable to distinguish the dependent claims from *Skardon*. Accordingly, Claims 2-13, 15-26, and 28-38 should also be allowed.

**Claims 39 and 40**

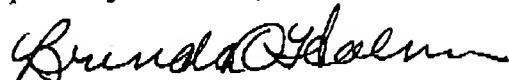
Newly added Claim 39 requires commanding a measurement condition setting update of all sensors in a region for carrying out the measurement from the base device, when at least one sensor operated to carry out the measurement in a selected region measures a large amount of pollens. As described at page 14, lines 10 to 18, when the pollen sensors are arranged in a mountainous region, normally one out of several sensors is operated to carry out the measurement in view of the limited battery power. However, when some sensors measures a large amount of pollens, all the sensors in that region are commanded to carry out the measurement. *Skardon* does not show or suggest commanding a measurement condition setting update of all sensors in a region for carrying out the measurement from the base device, when at least one sensor operated to carry out the measurement in a selected region measures a large amount of pollens. Accordingly, Claim 39 should be allowed.

Claim 40 has similar limitations to Claim 39. Thus, Claim 40 should also be allowed.

**CONCLUSION**

The foregoing is submitted as a complete response to the Office Action identified above. This application should now be in condition for allowance, and the Applicants solicit a notice to that effect. If there are any issues that can be addressed via telephone, the Examiner is asked to contact the undersigned at 404.685.6799.

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